# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
# LOK SABHA

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IT PARKS IN COCHIN
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from the Government of Kerala to set up new technology park at Cochin;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the same will be set up?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PR MAHAJAN)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): As per the information made available by the Department of Commerce, Ministryof Commerce and Industry , financial assistance amounting to rs.2.5 crores has been approved for Module-I of the proposed project of the State Government of Kerala for setting up an Information Technology (IT) Habitat at Kochi. The project will be implemented by KeralaIndustrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA), the apex body of the State Government. Besides the above, Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), an autonomous society under theDepartment of Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology had received a proposal for setting up of Satellite Earth Station/Data Link Facility in KINFRA Parkat Cochin. With the support of KINFRA by way of built-up space, STPI has set up a NetworkOperation Centre (NOC) at Cochin and necessary infrastructure facilities including datacom equipments have been made available. The NOC is operational.